

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD

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SOCIETY TO HEAR PHILA. ARCHITECT SPEAK ON "CHESSMAN BEFORE AND AFTER COLUMBUS"

John F. Harbeson has been designing and collecting chessmen for over forty years. In January, 1964, his collection of "Nine Centuries of Chessmen" was exhibited at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and part of his collection has been given to that Museum.

Mr. Harbeson's talk on "Chessmen before and after Columbus," promises to be a very unusual and exciting one even for non-chess playing members. This Philadelphia architect is among the select group of noted modern chess designers. He has made chessmen that are assemblages of buttons and tooth-paste caps, hardware and cigar wrappings. His extraordinary designs are among the 450 other sets and parts of sets he has collected.

"My son and I once decided to play with every one of my sets," Mr. Harbeson said. "Well, we got halfway through and gave up. He couldn't concentrate on the game because the pieces were distracting him."

Mr. Harbeson's work reflects the spirit of artist Marcel Duchamp who gave up art in 1923 to play chess and so inspired and won for the world an abundance of artist-designed chess sets. The 80-year old master strategist of the chessboard has, consciously or unconsciously, moved other artists, woodpushers all, to design sets.

NEXT MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, November 24

TIME: 8:00 P. M.

At Friends Meeting Auditorium, Lake Street and Friends Avenue.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A graduate in Architecture of the University of Pennsylvania, Mr. Harbeson was a teacher of Architectural Design there and Chairman of the Department. He was a partner of the late Paul Cret. He was Consulting Architect to the Architect of the U. S. Capitol and to the American Battle Monuments Commission. The renovation of the Senate and House Chambers of the Capitol and the design for the U. S. War Memorial at Omaha Beach are his work, as is the Pennsylvania Railroad Congressional Train.

LOUIS H. GOETTELMANN THANKS SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our retiring president, Louis H. Goettelmann, wishes to thank all our officers, trustees, committee chairmen and members who worked with him during his term of office.

"The successful operation of The Historical Society of Haddonfield," Mr. Goettelmann said, "has brought it into the sphere of influence in the life of our historic town and we all hope this can continue and be increased in the future."

SOCIETY THANKS PRESIDENT FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE

For six years Mr. Goettelmann has guided the fortunes, the programs, the development of our Historical Society to a new high level of service, enlightenment and influence in its community and recognition throughout the county and state of New Jersey.

He has unstintingly lent his professional knowledge as an architect and architectural historian wherever it was needed; his hard and tireless work in making Greenfield Hall ever more beautiful and historically interesting and important; and his exceptional gifts of leadership in bringing together all the officers, trustees and committee chairmen and members into a dynamic effort to advance the interests and aims of the Society.

ANOTHER SUCCESS SCORED FOR CANDLELIGHT TOUR

About six hundred visitors and a net profit of slightly over $1,000 rang up another banner success for the Society's seventh Annual Candelight Tour on Saturday, October 24. Six homes were open plus the public building, the Lake street Water Treatment Plant, designed by our president, Louis H. Goettelmann.

Hospitality was again offered at Greenfield Hall with a special attraction this year of a map and document exhibit which will be on display until Thanksgiving. The exhibit may be seen on Tuesdays and Thursdays or by appointment.

Special commendation must be given to the co-chairmen of the event, Mrs. Louis H. Goettelmann and Mrs. David S. Lenhart. They in turn wish to thank all the dedicated helpers who contributed to making this year's tour a social as well as financial success:

Brochures Mrs. James J. Lennon
Publicity Mrs. James G. Aiken
Decorations Mrs. George H. Allen
Candles & Runners
Mrs. B. Dexter Streeter
Tickets Mrs. L. Paul Sims, Jr.
Refreshments ... Mrs. Edw. E. Krauss, Jr.
Exhibits ... Mrs. Charles P. Richardson
Treasurer Mrs. Wm. H. Stow, Jr.
Mrs. John S. Wood, Jr.
Men's Committee.. Mr. John S. Wood, Jr.
Mr. Wilder Marsh
Mr. Laurence I. Test
Mr. B. D. Streeter

"VILLAGE FAIR" EXCEEDS "FLEA MARKET" SUCCESS

Mrs. James J. Lennon reports on our big summer event, the project of the Woman's Committee:

"Changing an established name is risky. Woman's Committee members wondered if the 'Flea Market' would prosper under its newly adopted name, 'Historic Village Fair.' Even with the handicap of less than perfect weather, there seemed to be little doubt that the 'Village Fair' would be at least as successful as the previous 'Flea Markets.'

"When the rains abruptly ended the afternoon auction and cut the day's program short by two hours, the final tally surpassed the most optimistic predictions. The net profit was over $2,000,

ACQUISITIONS 1970

Martha K. Goettelmann, Chairman

1. Oil Portrait of Mrs. Warner of Hadley, Mass. C-1835 by Erastus Salisbury Field Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilder Marsh
2. Three fine old linen pillowcases and a folding stool (Dutch) from Leuwarden 1920 Miss Anita Reinhard of New York City
3. Leather purse C-1840 Mr. Harry J. Herron
4. Universal No. 11 Coffee Grinder-Landers/Frary & Clark C-1900 Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nicholson
5. Mahogany bookcase w/glass doors, 4 X 5 ft. for use by our doll collection Mr. and Mrs. David S. Lenhart
6. Dietz Railway Signal Lantern and old tools Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nicholson
7. Four pair of old gold spectacles Mr. Joseph J. Stutz
8. Round walnut extension table C-1800. Old doll trunk, old umbrella, two C-1900 hats, two white wedding dresses of early 20th Century, old swim suits and other items Dr. and Mrs. A. M. K. Maldeis
9. Childrens and ladies dresses and slips of very early 20th Century for our costume room Mrs. Norman R. May
10. Three ladies hats of period 1930 Miss Annie Johnston
11. Flora-dora doll 1898/1903 Mrs. Charles A. Martin
12. Additional dolls for Christopher Collection Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Christopher
13. A pair of early wooden skates w/metal runners, leather straps and an old blue and gray stoneware vase w/handle Miss Edna M. Antrobus
14. Fringed silk crepe shaw—18th Century, brown and blue on beige background. Was worn by Matlack Family in Haddonfield - donor's Mother was a direct descendant of Timothy Matlack Mrs. G. W. Campbell
15. Reduced copies of newspapers—February 5, 1882 issue of Burlington Hawk-Eye of Burlington, Iowa and a June 9th 1877 issue of the Inter-Dream of Chicago, Illinois Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Christopher
16. Patchwork quilt made by donors aunt in 1884, in very fine condition. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Till
17. Two dolls, now part of The Christopher Collection Mrs. R. W. Voigt
18. Willard Sewing Machine C-1900 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Amos
19. A ladies dress C-1880 and two gold feather fans Mrs. Edward T. Curry
20. Two afternoon dresses C-1865 w/corset covers, chemise, two nightgowns and a wedding dress Mrs. Dunham Reinig, Florida
21. Special hand-made knife David Winters
22. Toy wooden Milk Horse and Wagon set C-1929 Mrs. J. W. Danenhower
23. Black beaded hand-bag in original Wanamaker box dater 1905 Miss Nellie Turner
24. Souvenir Programme of Formal Opening of the Headquarters of Historical Society of Haddonfield, 231 King's Highway, East. Dater Tuesday, February 22, 1938 which contained Charter Member list, story on building and advertisements, of local merchants Mrs. B. F. Thomas
25. Dark blue and black Ladies Dress, with leg-of-mutton sleeves, lace, sequins down front and thick stays, C-1825, belonged to The Moore Family of Haddonfield, owned by Mrs. William Allen and given by her son and daughter-in law Gail and Albert Allen. Passed on to the society by Mrs. L. T. Reinicker
26. Graduation dress, high school, 1919; 6 Child's dresses (handmade by Hannah R. Jones) 2 hand made bibs; 1 pair boy's shorts; 1 crepe de chine chemise, given by Mrs. Edward W. Jennings

the best return ever. Undoubtedly the craft demonstrations, luncheon on the spacious lawn of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, the introduction of new merchandise and the enthusiasm of everyone present—whether working, browsing, or buying—contributed largely to the day's happy ending.

"Since the tole ware painting classes, conducted by Mrs. B. Dexter Streeter, were so well attended last year, these classes are to be continued. In addition, Mrs. James Baxter will give instruction in crewel embroidery. Workshops are held two Mondays a month. Not only

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do the paint and needlework artists find satisfaction in perfecting their skills, but the 'Village Fair' will also benefit. A variety of original handmade wares will be featured next year."

At the annual election of officers of the Woman's Committee, held in October, the following were elected to serve for a two-year term: Mrs. Joseph L. Grimm, Chairman; Mrs. George H. Allen, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Mildred E. Hilley-Swank, Recording Secretary. Continuing in office for another year are: Mrs. John S. Wood, Jr., Financial Secretary, and Mrs. E. W. Alff, Corresponding Secretary.

NEW CHIEF OF HISTORIC SITES TO SPEAK AT INDIAN KING

David N. Poinsett, who recently succeeded Jack Boucher as Supervisor of Historic Sites in New Jersey will speak on "The Presence of the Past: Historic Preservation in New Jersey" on Thursday, December 3, 8 p.m., at the Indian King. The historic tavern will be reopened with a new caretaker. Mrs. Stewart retired this year.

The meeting is the regular Fall meeting of the Haddonfield Preservation Society. A brief report will be given on the latest developments in historic preservation and the continuing preservation of Charleston, S. C., presented at the Annual Meeting and Conference of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, held there on November 5-8. Colored slides of some of Charleston's most beautiful preserved houses will be shown.

Our Bulletin Editor and Publicity Chairman, Mrs. James G. Aiken, was a delegate-speaker at the Conference. She was invited to represent the Haddonfield Preservation Society as one of twelve selected from over one hundred applicants from all over the country for "a superb program to achieve historic preservation for Haddonfield."

NOMINEES FOR OFFICE

In accordance with the by-laws of the Society, nominees for election to office are required to be published before the annual business meeting in November.

The nominating committee, Robert J. Dalton, Chairman, Helen V. Stevenson and Merrit W. Pharo report that they are unable to name all the offices to be filled at the time this Bulletin goes to press. The filled and unfilled posts are as follows:

President
First Vice President
Treasurer Mrs. Wm. H. Stow, Jr.
Corr. Secy. Mrs. Edw. W. Jennings
Trustees (Term expires 1973) elect 5